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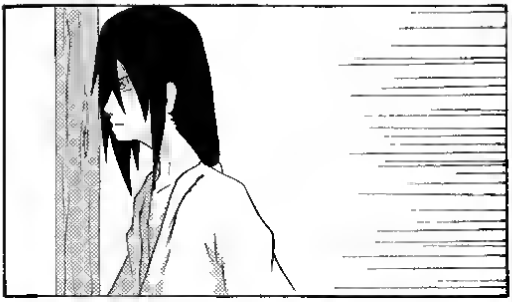
Yamamoto Ryuunosuke



I HAVE JUST TALKED WITH MIKAGAMI...

HE HAS TOLD ME SO MANY THINGS...

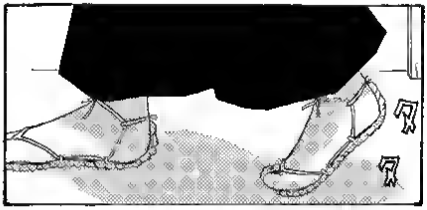
THIS ROOM IS CALLED "MOURETSUNA HOTOKE*".

*ANGRY BUDHA

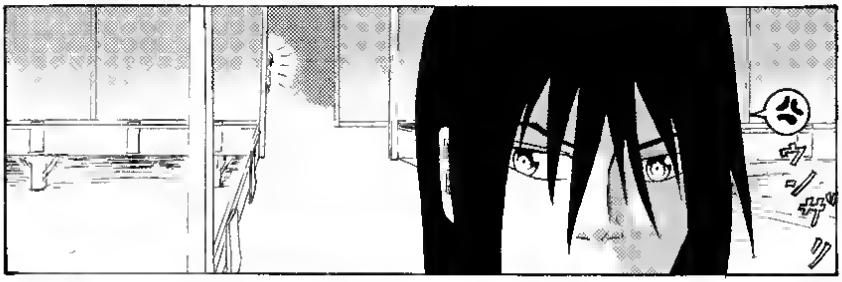
I HAVE TO TELL YOU AS NEW LEADER
BUDHA?

OH!.. YEAH, SHIRATORI DIED LAST WEEK AND MIKAGAMI-SENSEI BECAME THE NEW LEADER OF THE TEMPLE
I
I MUST CHOOSE A SUCCESSOR
KEEP QUIET, KENSUKE!
WHAT!?
THAT SOON!?

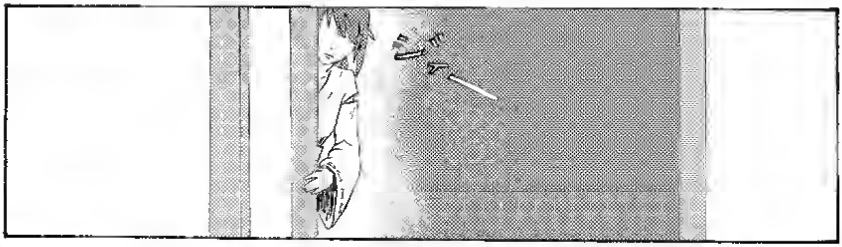
YOU WILL SEE
YOU ACTUALLY KNOW NOTHING ABOUT YOU OR THIS TEMPLE
BUT NOW I WILL TELL YOU EVERYTHING I KNOW



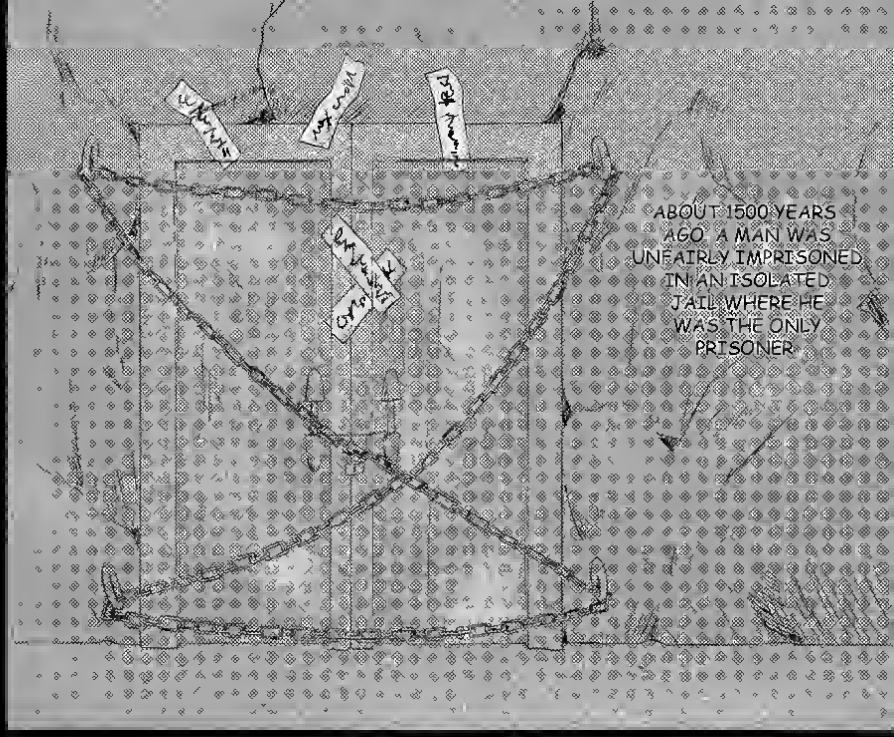
SHE'S
FOLLOWING ME
...
AGAIN.



SHE FOLLOWS ME EVERYTIME I COME TO
THE WOMEN ZONE, AND THE "MOURETSUNA
HOTOKE" ROOM HAPPENS TO BE AT THE UNDERGROUND
OF THE THIS ZONE.

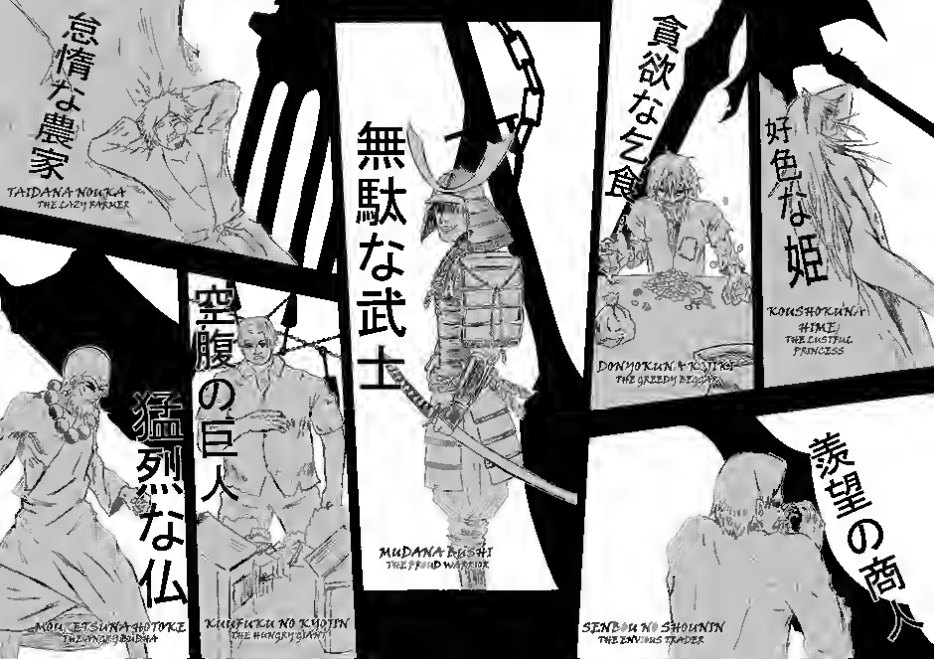


IT'S KIND OF ANNOYING..
BUT I NEED TO FOCUS ON WHAT
MIKAGAMI SAID TO ME.


ABOUT 1500 YEARS AGO, A MAN WAS UNFAIRLY IMPRISONED IN AN ISOLATED JAIL WHERE HE WAS THE ONLY PRISONER.

I'M INNOCENT!!
LET ME GO.

MANY YEARS LATER, THAT MAN MANAGED TO GET OUT OF THAT PLACE WIELDING SEVEN MISTERIOUS WEAPONS, KNOWN AS


怠惰な農家
TAIDANA NOUKA
THE LAZY FARMER
無駄な武士
MUDANA BUSHI
THE FOOLISH WARRIOR
貪欲な乞食
DONYOKUNA KOJIKI
THE GREEDY BEGGAR
好色な姫
KOUSHOKUNA HIME
THE LUSTFUL PRINCESS
空腹の巨人
KUFUKU NO KYOJIN
THE HUNGRY GIANT
猛烈な仏
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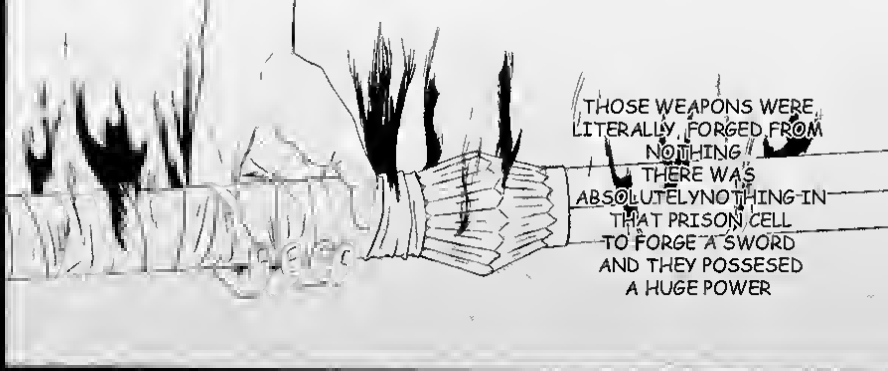
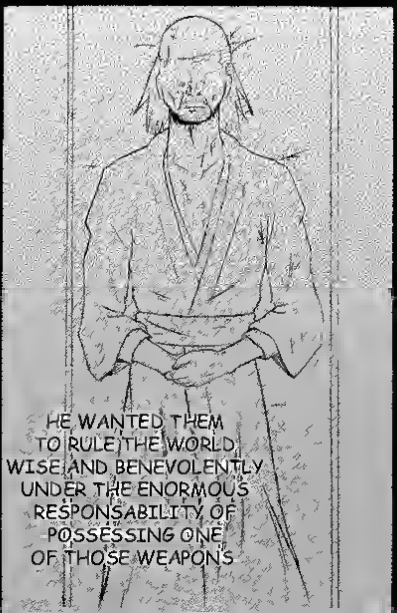
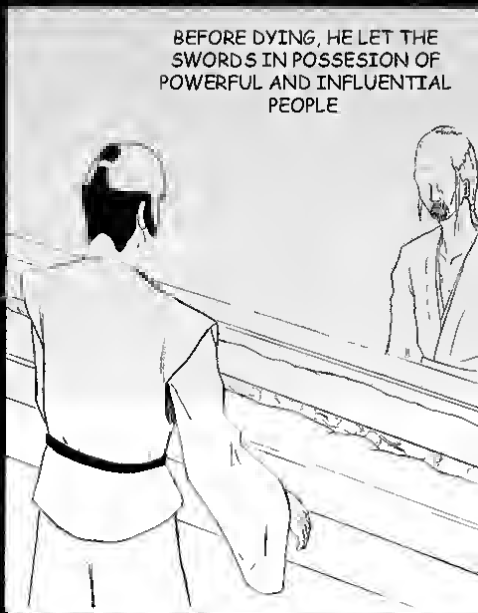
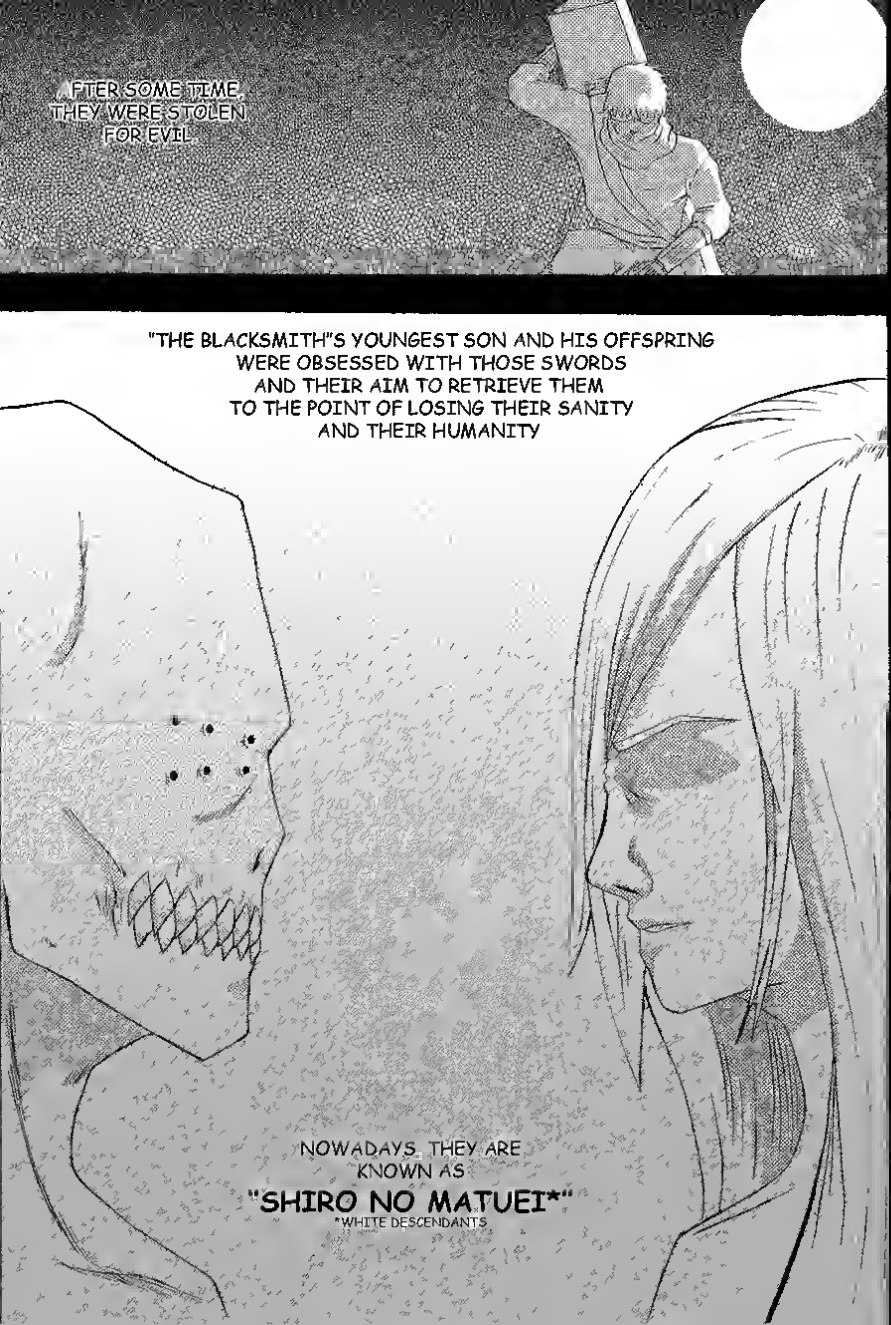
羨望の商人
SENBOU NO SHOUNIN
THE ENVIOUS TRADER


THOSE WEAPONS WERE LITERALLY, FORGED FROM NOTHING
THERE WAS ABSOLUTELYNOTHING IN THAT PRISON CELL TO FORGE A SWORD AND THEY POSSESED A HUGE POWER

"THE BLACKSMITH", AS HE WAS KNOWN SINCE THAT MOMENT ON, TOOK REVENGE OF THE ONE WHO SENT HIM THE JAIL, THE TRUE OFFENDER


HE WANTED THEM TO RULE THE WORLD WISE AND BENEVOLENTLY UNDER THE ENORMOUS RESPONSABILITY OF POSSESSING ONE OF THOSE WEAPONS

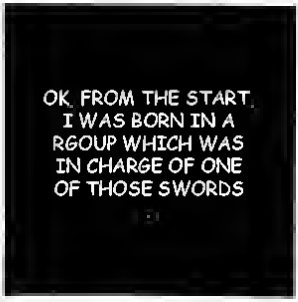

BEFORE DYING, HE LET THE SWORDS IN POSSESION OF POWERFUL AND INFLUENTIAL PEOPLE

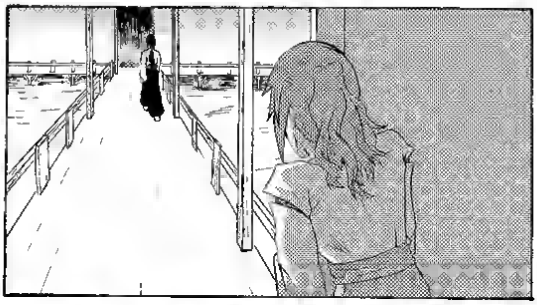

FTER SOME TIME,
THEY WERE STOLEN
FOR EVIL
"THE BLACKSMITH"S YOUNGEST SON AND HIS OFFSPRING
WERE OBSESSED WITH THOSE SWORDS
AND THEIR AIM TO RETRIEVE THEM
TO THE POINT OF LOSING THEIR SANITY
AND THEIR HUMANITY
NOWADAYS, THEY ARE
KNOWN AS
"SHIRO NO MATUEI*"
*WHITE DESCENDANTS

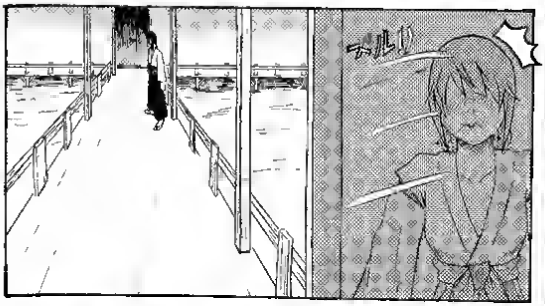
AFTER SOME CENTURIES, SEVEN PEOPLE, SUDDENLY APPEARED AND RETRIEVED THE WEAPONS IN ORDER TO HIDE THEM FROM THE WORLD
ALL OF THEM BUILT TEMPLES AND PERFECTED THE MARTIAL ARTS TO CONCEAL AND PROTECT THE SWORDS
THIS TEMPLE, IS THE STASH OF THE "MOURETSUNA HOTOKE"

EXCEPT FOR ONE,
THE ONLY WOMAN.
THE ONE IN CHARGE
TO SAFEGUARD THE
"SENBOU NO SHOUNIN"
FOUNDED A VILLAGE.
EVENTUALLY SOME TEMPLES
WERE DESTOYED AND DESERTED.
WE KNOW OF AT LEAST FOUR
OF THEM. AND NOW THOSE
SWORDS ARE SOMEWHERE OUTSIDE.

THE VILLAGE...
WAS RAVAGED EIGHT
YEARS AGO.
ONLY ONE PERSON SURVIVED.


OK. FROM THE START. I WAS BORN IN A RGOUP WHICH WAS IN CHARGE OF ONE OF THOSE SWORDS





SO. LOOKS LIKE I'M PERFECT TO LEAD THIS TEMPLE ON THE FUTURE

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NOW. LET'S END THIS FOOLISHNESS.

GOTCHA!

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ARE YOU OK!?
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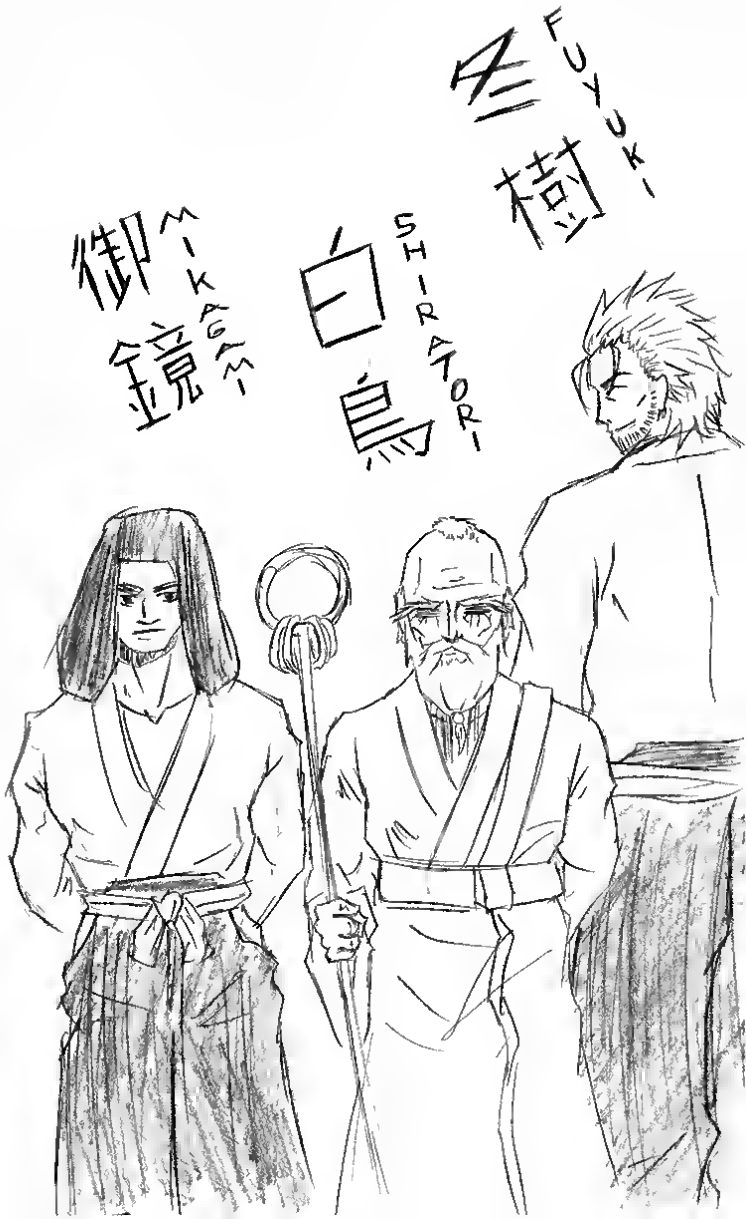
WOW!
SHE REALLY SCARED...
HEY!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